

## Message Text

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O R 181516Z AUG 76

FM AMEMBASSY BEIRUT

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 1541

INFO AMEMBASSY NICOSIA

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EXDIS

DEPT ALSO FOR SY

NICOSIA FOR HOUGHTONLAND MACK

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, US, LE, ASEC

SUBJECT: AMBASSADOR MELOY ASSASSINATION

1. L'ORIENT LE JOUR AUG 18 CARRIES ACCOUNT OF PRESS  
CONFERENCE HELD BY AMINE GEMAYEL AUG 17. GEMAYEL  
QUOTED AS SAYING ASSASSINATION OF MELOY, WARING AND  
DRIVER WAS ORGANIZED BY PFLP UNDER DIRECTION OF WADIH  
HADDAD, DURING  
MEETING WHICH HADDAD HAD WITH FAMOUS  
INTERNATIONAL TERRORIST "CARLOS" HELD AT TELL ZAATAR. INFORMATION  
SUPPOSEDLY DERIVED FROM INTERROGATIONS OF PRISONERS  
FROM TELL ZAATAR. AN NAHAR AND AL ANWAR AUG 18 ALSO  
REPORT GEMAYEL IMPLICATED HADDAD AND ELEMENTS OF PFLP.

2. GEMAYEL LIKEWISE ATTRIBUTED UGANDA HIJACKING AND  
RECENT ATTEMPTED HIJACKING AT ISTANBUL TO PFLP.  
HE SAID PFLP, FATAH, LEBANESE COMMUNIST ACTION  
ORGANIZATION AND "TROTSKYITES" HAD PLANNED AN  
ASSASSINATION CAMPAIGN.

3. COMMENT: DEPARTMENT OFFICERS VISITING JOUNIEH  
MAY BE IN POSITION TO OBTAIN MORE DETAILS FROM  
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RESPONSIBLE CHRISTIAN LEADERS, ESPECIALLY PIERRE

GEMAYEL.

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